

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE

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Dear Sir/Madam:

In accordance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) draft programmatic environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Constellation Program.

The purpose of the Constellation Program is to develop the flight systems and Earth-based ground infrastructure required to enable continued access to space and to enable future crewed missions to the international Space Station, the Moon, Mars, and beyond.

EPA believes that this programmatic EIS provides an adequate discussion of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed program. Therefore, EPA has no objection to the proposed action discussed in this draft programmatic EIS.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this draft programmatic EIS. The staff contact for this review is Ken Mittelholtz (202-564-7156).

Sincerely,

Anne Norton Miller

Director

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